NAMPA CHARTER SCHOOL

Sponsoring District: Nampa School District

LOCATION: Nampa		OPENING DATE: July 1, 1999				
GRADE LEVELS: K-8		STUDENT/FTE TEACHER RATIO: 23.3 to 1 STUDENT/ADULT RATIO: 9 to 1				
ADMISSIONS DOLICA	V. I attanza Duafanana					
		ce given to students residing within Nampa School				
		port required as stipulated in the charter contract.				
STUDENT ORGANIZA	TION: Single Track	Schedule				
FACILITY:						
Permanent	porary Total square	e feet: 13,800				
STUDENT PROFILE:	Asian/PacIs: 2%	Free/reduced lunch eligibility: NA%				
	Black: 0%	Special needs: 9%				
	Hispanic: 3%	LEP: N/A %				
	Native Am: %	Title I: N/A%				
	White: 95%	Children of organizers: 16%				
	Males: 53%	Females: 47%				
MISSION:						
The Nampa Charter Sch	ool mission is to dev	relop students who are competent, confident,				
productive and responsib	ole young adults who	posses the habits, skills and attitudes to succeed in				
		a post-secondary education and satisfying				
employment.						
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The philosophy of the N	ampa Charter Schoo	l is grounded in the belief that when there is low				
1 1	•	elerated learning takes place.				
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SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENTS (daily schedule, calendar, etc.):						
The Nampa Charter Sch	ool is on a modified	year-round schedule. We selected a track, which				
would allow for fall, wir	iter and spring vacati	ions. The staff and parents are cognizant of the				
funding source, which is	average daily attend	dance. Our daily schedule is coordinated with the				
Nampa School District Secondary schedule to allow for dual-enrollment in sport activities.						

Check all characteristics that can be used to describe your school's program.				
Block Scheduling	\boxtimes	Multiage/Grade		
Character Instruction	\boxtimes	Multiple Intelligences	\boxtimes	
Core Knowledge	\boxtimes	Service Learning	\boxtimes	
Extended Year/Day		Technology As Major Focus	\boxtimes	
Foreign Language 4 – 8Grades	\boxtimes	Thematic/Interdisciplinary		
Hands-On	\boxtimes	Year-Round	\boxtimes	
Individual Education Plans		Project Based		

Characteristics, courses (including college prep), and/or instructional strategies that are unique to your program:

Gifted and Talented Enrichment: Accomplished through, but not limited to, clustering, competitions, consultations, curriculum clustering, independent study, interest-based workshops during intercessions, and pullout classes.

Community Service: Designed to instill a sense of individual, social and civic responsibility, specifics of the program are determined by the learners and staff during the initial weeks of the school year.

Music Training: Nampa Charter School implemented the piano lab this year. Character Training Program: "Expectation training" through memorization and dramatization of classical poetry and historical passages, as well as staff who model essential traits of good character. Components include, but not limited to, a strong emphasis on kindness, the "golden rule," and a reward system which honors students who are hard working, responsible, honest, respectful, etc.

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Check all assessments that your school uses to gauge student performance.						
Idaho Reading Indicator	\boxtimes	ACT				
Direct Writing Assessment		SAT				
Direct Mathematics Assessment	\boxtimes	(ACT) COMPASS				
Direct Science Assessment		(ACT) PLAN				
Direct Social Studies Assessment		PSAT				
Iowa Test of Basic Skills		Portfolios	\boxtimes			
Test of Achievement and Proficiency		Individual Education/Learning Plans	\boxtimes			
Nat'l Assessment of Education Progress		District/School Criterion Ref'd Tests	\boxtimes			

Describe how, if at all, your school uses standardized tests for formative purposes to guide instruction, etc: Certificated staff utilizes the data received to identify areas where each student struggles, to identify general weaknesses in instruction, and to plan for those weaknesses. The staff uses all the data to align concepts between grade levels. The test data is also used to conference with parents.

Award/Honors offered to students: Our "Citizen of the Week" and "Citizen of the Month" are honors given to our students in the area of citizenship. We compare this award to 'real life'...those employees who get the promotions and raises in the work force. Nampa Charter School also has a Hall of Fame program for those students who excel academically. Hall of Fame and Citizen of the Week are handled every Friday by the principal, who goes into each class to test the students.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT DATA

Grade	Subject	Nat'l Student Norms	99	00	Nat'l School	99	00
3	Reading		75	82		92	98
	Language		69	89		77	99
	Math		85	94		95	99
	Core Total		77	90		91	99
4	Reading		82	83		98	99
	Language		71	81		85	97
	Math		88	86		99	99
	Core Total		81	83		97	98
5	Reading		68	75		79	91
	Language		64	71		77	89
	Math		81	88		96	99
	Core Total		71	79		86	96
6	Reading		67	70		80	84
	Language		64	72		77	91
	Math		85	88		99	99
	Core Total		74	79		99	95
7	Reading		72	77		87	93
	Language		74	77		93	97
	Math		84	86		99	99
	Core Total		79	82		95	97
8	Reading		-	71		-	85
	Language		-	66		-	80
	Math		-	86		-	99
	Core Total		-	76		-	92

Special Note: Per our charter contract, Nampa Charter School stated our students would be in the top quartile nationally on the ITBS test. Although, the contract did not state specifically which norm, student or school, at the time the contract was written, school norms were published exclusively in Idaho. The top quartile scores referred to were "school norm" percentages.

Idaho Reading Indicator

Grade	Fall /99	00 V	Vinter/ 99	00	Spring / 99
Kindergarten	1 9% 8% 2 52% 42% 3 39% 50%	2 67% 54	% 1 17% 4% 2 58% 8% 3 25%		
Grade 1	1 30% 12% 2 22% 23% 3 52% 65%	2 20% 19	% 1 4% 9% 2 8% 7% 3 88%		
Grade 2	1 7% 2 22% 3 70%	0% 1 27% 2 73% 3	18%	4% 18% 79%	1 0% 2 4% 3 96%
Grade 3	1 4% 2 22% 3 74%	0% 1 21% 2 79% 3	20%	4% 11% 86%	1 0% 2 21% 3 79%
	Jan. 2000	Jan. 2001			
Direct Write	3.4	Not Availa	able		
Direct Math	3.8	Not Availa	able		

STUDENT AND SCHOOL PERFORMANCE GOALS	Level of Accomplishment	Information Source
◆ Score in the top quartile on standardized tests on the national, state, and district levels after a period of two consecutive academic years at the charter school	Exceeded Met Partially Met Did Not Address	Iowa Test of Basic Skills
◆ Reading at grade level by 3 rd grade	Exceeded Met Partially Met Did Not Address	Idaho Reading Indicator ITBS – Reading Metropolitan – Reading
◆ Computing math at grade level by 3 rd grade	Exceeded Met Partially Met Did Not Address	ITBS – Math Direct Math Assessment
♦ Student absenteeism is less than 4%	Exceeded Met Partially Met Did Not Address	Attendance Records
♦ Student tardies are less than 2%	Exceeded Met Needs Improvement Did Not Address	Attendance Records
♦ 80% of the student body accomplishes the Personalized Learning Goals to be determined by classroom teacher and parent communication and observations.	Exceeded Met Partially Met Did Not Address	Surveys
◆ Students reflect positive growth on parent surveys done yearly on the child's attitudes and habits toward, but not limited work, ethic, honesty, taking responsibility, self confidence etc.	Exceeded *2 nd survey not sent out. Met Parents decided too many Partially Met surveys with the NWRL Did Not Address surveys added.	
 Samples of student work depicting, integrated, extended, refined and meaningful utilization of knowledge. 	Exceeded Met Partially Met Did Not Address	Technology Portfolios

		Highlight One: P=Parent S=Staff ST=Student CM=Community Membe	Length of time in current position Highlight One: E=Elected A=Appointed		ted	: Responsibilities of each individual	
		P S ST CM	2 yrs.	Е	A	Governing Board Chair	
		P S ST CM	2 yrs.	Е	A	Secretary	
		P S ST CM	2 yrs.	Е	A	Treasurer	
		P S ST CM	9 mos.	Е	A	Vice Board Chair	
	School Board	P S ST CM	5 mos.	E	A	Board Member	
ANCE		 Number of board members that are current business partners of school personnel: 0 Number of board members related to school personnel: 0 Frequency with which the board convenes: monthly General meeting times: 2nd Tuesday of each month Describe how meetings are posted to the public: follow open meeting laws – posted at 3 locations 					
GOVERNANCE		Length of time in current Title position		Also te	aches in	Responsibilities of each individual	
B		Superintendent/Principal	2 years	Y N		Operate school on day-to-day basis.	
	Administration			Y	N		
		Name		# # S ST	# CM	Responsibilities of each committee	
	Committees	Advisory P.T.O.	12 2 20		2	Data gathering resource, and provides input and advice to the governing board. PTO officers will serve as a nominating committee to select a slate of nominees to replace outgoing governing board members. The governing Board will elect the new directors from the slate of nominees. PTO will serve as liaisons between teachers and parents.	

FINANCIAL	1999-2000	2000-2001
Estimated Cost Per Student	\$3,738.00	\$ 5,564.47
Operating Budget	\$1,127,500.00	\$1,480,149.96
Sources Of Funding	Check all that apply: State/District Local Tax Revenues Grants Donations Other Additional Federal Funding: Students identified Yes No If yes, receiving all funding or services as qualified: Yes No Don't Know Describe how funding is utilized: Speech/Language services Psych. Services	Check all that apply: State/District, \$1,217,486.60 Enhancement \$: Technology Reading Gifted/Talented LEP Other Local Tax Revenues \$ Grants \$262,663.36 Donations \$ Other \$ Additional Federal Funding: Students Identified Yes No If yes, receiving all funding or services as qualified: Yes No Don't Know Describe how funding is utilized: Speech/Language & Psych. Do you participate in district discussion on how to spend federal dollars? Yes No
Debt	\$ 0	\$ 0 as of 4/15/01

OTHER	1999-2000	2000-2001
Student Attendance Rate	96%	96%
Student Discipline		# suspensions to date: % of students: 0 # expulsions to date: % of students: 0 # of referrals to date: % of students: 0
Student Enrollment	Total: 233	Total: 266
	Waiting List: 240	Waiting List: 520
Number Of Students Leaving Mid-Year	#: 17 Reasons For Leaving: 7 moved out of district and/or state 4 transportation issue 1 larger Jr. Hi. Experience 2 home schooled 2 unknown 1 unhappy w/ academic and behavior program.	Reasons For Leaving: # Dropped out: 0 # Transferred: 1
Staff Development Opportunities	Technology class 100% G/T workshop 88% Art workshop 88% Office Software Workshop 3 attended "Boardsmanship" inservice for Charter Board – Senator Daryl Diede	Literacy Class 100% Metacognitive/Cognitive Techniques-Classroom 100% Art Workshop 88% Conversational Spanish 100%
Teacher Qualifications	# FT: 7 # PT: 5 # Certified: All Avg. Teaching Experience: 9 Years # with MA Degree: 2 # Teaching In Areas Outside Endorsements: 0	# FT: 9 # PT: 5 # Special Ed Endorsements: 3 # Non-Certified Giving Instruction: 1—P.E. Avg. Teaching Experience: 10 Years # with MA Degree: 2 # Teaching In Areas Outside Endorsements: 0

OTHER cont.	1999-2000	2000-2001
Number of Departing Staff	#: 0	#: 0
	Hours: Over 10,000 hours	Hours/month: Over 6,000 hrs.
Parent Involvement	Types Of Involvement: Open up the school which included laying sod, putting up whiteboards, building shelves, working in classrooms as parent. Totally responsible for all aspects of the lunch program. Hot lunch 4x a week by local restaurants. Parents deliver the lunches, collect money. Volunteers every day since the school	Types Of Involvement: Manages all aspects of the lunch program; collecting orders, money, delivery, etc. Classroom volunteers, participating in PTO and committees Estimated number of parents participating: 35-40%
	opened. 1000 Total Hours/Year	1500 Total Hours/Year
Other Volunteers (e.g., Community Involvement)	1000 Classroom Hours/Year	1500 Classroom Hours/Year
		Business Partnerships: 3
Transportation		Drive/Are driven in private cars: 10% Public transportation: 0% School bus/District transport: 85% Walk/Bike: 5% Other: %
Lunch Services		Hot lunch provided for students
Other Student Services		Special Education